By: Coleman H.B. No. 3184

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to educating parents about the benefits of immunizing

3 certain children against influenza.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 161.0101, Health and Safety Code, is

amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

- 7 (c) The department shall work to increase immunization
- 8 awareness and participation among parents of children in child-care
- 9 facilities, as defined by Section 42.002, Human Resources Code, in
- 10 the state's early childhood vaccination program by publishing on
- 11 the department's website information about the benefits of annual
- 12 <u>immunization against influenza for children aged six months to five</u>
- 13 years. The department shall work with the Department of Family and
- 14 Protective Services and with child-care facilities to ensure that
- 15 the information is annually distributed to parents in August or
- 16 September.

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- 17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 21 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.